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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, HO

SUBJECT: REPORT OF ASSUMPTION OF FULL POWERS BY MELGAR

REF: TEGUCIGALPA 2633

WE HAVE SEEN PRESS REPORT DATED JUNE 20, STATING THAT CHIEF OF STATE MELGAR WAS GIVEN FULL POWERS TO RULE HONDURAS AFTER HE MADE A REQUEST TO THE SUPERIOR DEFENSE COUNCIL FOR COMPLETE FREEDOM OF ACTION. WE NOTE IN REFTEL THAT EX FOMIN BATRES HAD ADVISED MELGAR TO RAISE THIS QUESTION WITH SDC. PRESS REPORT ALSO STATES THAT SDC REPLY CAME WHEN LOWER RANKING OFFICERS EXPRESSED THEIR DISCONTENT AND PREPARED TO CHOOSE NEW CHIEFS FOR MILITARY UNITS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF THESE REPORTS. INGERSOLL

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